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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Takeshi Ido, et al.

Application No.: 09/944,946

Filed: August 31, 2001

For: STORAGE CONTROL
APPARATUS

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Confirmation No. 2799

Examiner: Abdelmoniem I. Elamin

Technology Center/Art Unit: 2116

AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE
UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312(a)

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Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance mailed June 14, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 6 of this paper and include replacement sheets in an Appendix.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.